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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A washer, comprising:

a washing tub;
a metal ion adding portion adding antimicrobial metal ions to water in the washing tub;
a treatment substance adding portion adding a treatment substance for washing to the
water in the washing tub;
a water flow controlling portion controlling flow of water in the washing tub; and tub;
a control unit that controls the metal ion adding portion, the treatment substance adding
portion, and the water flow controlling portion, portion; and
wherein, the control unit is configured to: a time measuring portion for measuring
measure time of duration of each period of a predetermined process in a laundry
washing session,
ontrol. in the predetermined process, the control unit controls at least one of the
netal ion adding portion and the treatment substance adding portion, so that at least one of the
netal ions and the treatment substance is added to the water in the washing tub and attached to a
urface of laundry,
the predetermined process including includes,
first and second powerful swirl periods and a mild swirl period, or
first and second powerful swirl periods and a still period,

control the control unit controls the water flow controlling portion based on the

measured time measured by the time measuring portion, such that